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Mr. Peter Thomson
Office of the Governor
State House
Concord, New Hampshire

Dear Peter:

In reply to your letter dated March 1, 1978, asking for our response to Mr. Nelson's letter dated February 28, 1978, our opinion is that it would be improper for a member of the Data Processing Commission to accept free transportation from Honeywell to a seminar sponsored by Honeywell in Phoenix. Although I do not at this point have the background to make a further determination about the illegality of the acceptance of such transportation, under RSA 640, I think it is enough to say that acceptance of it could constitute a violation of certain sections of that chapter. No member of the Data Processing Commission should accept the Honeywell offer.

I will send a copy of this letter to you to each of the four present members of the Data Processing Commission.

Yours sincerely,

David H. Souter
Attorney General

DHS:cj

MEMORANDUM TO MEMBERS OF THE DATA PROCESSING COMMISSION

In a conversation earlier today with Mr. Fowler I mentioned the opinion which is expressed in the letter, of which I enclose a copy. He asked whether my opinion would be the same with respect to an employee of the Commission, as distinguished from a Commissioner. My answer was that my opinion would be the same, and it is at Mr. Fowler's suggestion I am passing this further thought on to each of you.

D.H.S.

March 9, 1978